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You think the following figures might be of interest to you? On Monday A. M.

McCABE BROS.

will place on sale a lot of children's scarlet vests and pants at 10c, 14c, 19c and 25c each according to sizes. First come first served.

Another half cases (16 dozen) ladies' fine merino vests at 25c each. (There will be no more).

To settle a dispute, and to settle several other things at the same time, we will on Monday A. M. at 9 o'clock sell a lot of gent's scarlet wool shirts and drawers at 25c each.

Our stock of underwear for ladies, men, boys and children in very large, in fact altogether too large for this season of the year, and we shall proceed on Monday to cut it down by cutting prices all through. Many of the best bargains will probably go quick.

We especially want to call attention to two lines of men's natural wool sanitary shirts and drawers, sizes a little broken but prices are also broken, and will be closed out at 75c and \$1.00.

Five large stores replete with bargains. Hereafter we close our store at 6 o'clock p. m., Saturdays excepted.

McCABE BROS.

1714, 1716, 1718, 1720 and 1722 Second Avenue, Rock Island.

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Albums marked down. Pastel Pictures, all prices. —Elegant Frames—very Reasonable—

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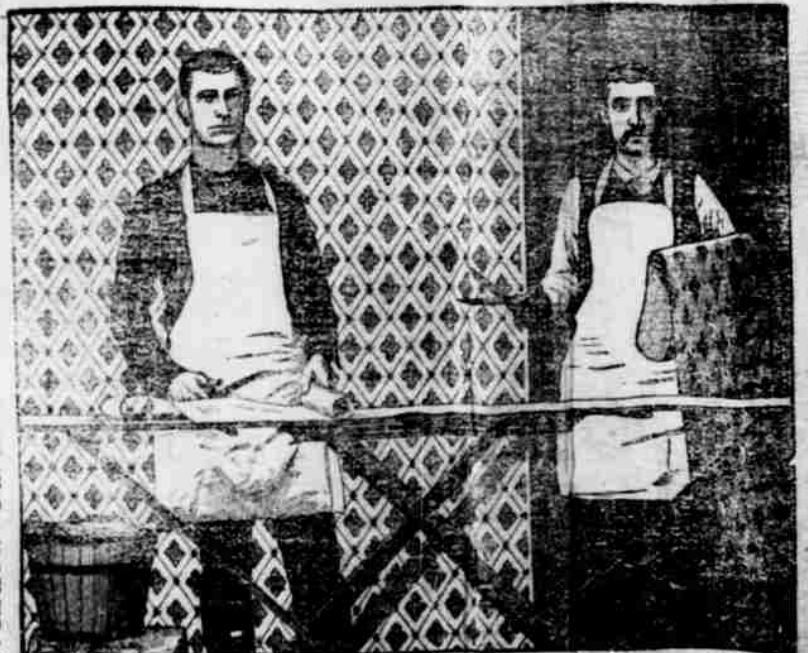
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1401 Second Avenue.

SUTOLIFFE BROS.

SPECTACLE OF THE SUN.

Yesterday Afternoon's Eclipse of "Old Sol."

The Phenomena Partially Visible in Rock Island—Other Eclipses Past and Future.

Comparatively few perhaps, unless it may have been those who were interested from a scientific point of view, knew of the great event that transpired yesterday in the planetary system, notwithstanding that it had been announced to appear. The great luminary of the day passed through the ordeal of a total eclipse, though it was only partially seen in Rock Island by those who had provided themselves with smoked glasses to witness it.

While, as stated, the eclipse was not total at Rock Island, as was the sun's eclipse of 1889, it was nevertheless of sufficient magnitude to invest it with deep, general and peculiar scientific interest. In the first place, the sun set eclipsed; the phenomenon began at 1:44 p. m., at a point in the Pacific ocean about 3,500 miles west of San Diego, Cal., that in the penumbra first touches the surface of the earth at this point. The shadow of the moon first touched the surface of the earth two hours and twenty minutes at another point in the Pacific ocean about 2,500 miles west of Van Couver's island, and here the total eclipse began.

The path of the total eclipse ran through the country in a nearly northeasterly direction and terminates in Canada near the eastern border of Lake Winnipeg at 4:10 p. m. The sun was eclipsed at 4:18 p. m.

The first contact observable here was at 3:15 and the greatest eclipse at 4:26. The sun disappeared with the partial eclipse visible.

Four eclipses took place in 1884, four in 1885, two in 1886, four in 1887, and five in 1888. Five also will take place in 1889. Three of the eclipses of 1889 will be of the sun and two of the moon. They have been announced in this order, including yesterday's: Total eclipse of the sun, Jan. 1; partial eclipse of the moon Jan. 17; annual eclipse of the sun, June 28; partial eclipse of the moon, July 12; total eclipse of the sun, Dec. 32.

All eclipses are, so to speak, of popular interest, but all of them are not of much scientific interest. Yesterday's spectacle fulfills both conditions. It is of scientific interest because it was a total eclipse of the sun, the path of totality of which traverses a section of country in which observations could readily be made, because such phenomena occur comparatively seldom, and because there are two or three riddles in astronomy which this eclipse was expected to solve.

Rumors Rather Sensational. During the past forty-eight hours rumors of a highly sensational character have been about in the city, which have startled all who have heard them and elicited the most anxious inquiry as to their truthfulness. It will be remembered that during the early part of October five Rock Island young men, having fitted up a flat-boat, providing it with sleeping bunks, provisions and all necessary conveniences, embarked for a trip to the mouth of the Mississippi river. The party was composed of Judd Repine, James Dixon, Daniel Strecker, Al. Webb and Dick Newberry. All were young men who had no work during the winter season and two of their number at least had made the trip before. The weather and all other conditions were favorable, and pleasant reports have continued to come from the boys from different points down the river, the last bearing the date of Cairo, on Christmas day.

But the wild report which got into circulation Monday night was that all five of the young men had been attacked, robbed and cut to pieces—all finally murdered by a band of negroes. Memphis bay is known to be a dangerous place, and many murders have been committed there, but the most diligent investigation by Argus reporters has failed to trace the rumors to a reliable source.

An Argus reporter visited the homes of the different boys this afternoon, but nothing had been heard at any place except the rumors which have been described. Great anxiety was naturally felt by the relatives of the boys, who are eager to learn all they can of any late news concerning them. Mrs. Strecker had the last news that had been received from the party, which was a postal dated Hickman, Ky., Dec. 28. So the boys had at that time not yet reached Memphis. Telegrams have been sent to different points between Hickman and Memphis, but no answers have yet been received.

There is another Rock Island party further down the river than the one over which there is so much suspense, but the probabilities are that all are safe and that the rumors are without the least foundation in fact.

Dancing Lessons.

Mrs. Jay Travis, of Kalamazoo, Mich., will open a dancing school for adults at Armory hall, on Thursday evening, Jan. 10. The lesson from 8 to 9 o'clock will be for beginners exclusively. From 9 to 12 will occur the general reception or hop. By her method Mrs. Travis guarantees to impart more information to the pupil in one term than any other teacher employing a different method can do in two terms. The new dances are the Rock, Duchess, Detroit, Militaire, Conus, Germania, Polka Dot, waltz and the celebrated Jersey, while special attention will be paid to fine waltzing. Terms, \$5, per term of 12 lessons. Payable on entering.

References: Hon. Jos. B. Coff, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Hon. Alexander Cameron, Kalamazoo, Mich.

"Mrs. Travis' dancing school was more largely attended this week than before and all speak in the highest terms of the school."—Lansing Journal.

"Mrs. Travis always has the very latest dances, and conducts her schools in a thoroughly first class manner."—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

LUCKY LIEBERKNECHT.

Wizard Ed. captures the Thoroughbred Tom Kirkwood—A Man With Whom Dame Fortune is Infatuated.

There is a wizard in Rock Island—a man on whom, above all others, good fortune seems to bestow a never-fading, never-fading smile. That man is none other than Ed. Lieberknecht, whose mascot never deserts him in times when there should be a discrimination of luck in his favor. Ed. has always been possessed of that most priceless of all enviable qualities—luck. Within a year he has held the cards which captured in raffles a horse and buggy, a gold watch and many other things of less importance, but for which many chances had been taken. But the startling climax of Ed's. remarkable career of luck came Monday afternoon, when it was found that good fortune had placed in his hands the ticket which drew Mr. Lowrey's thoroughbred \$2,500 stallion Tom Kirkwood, in the raffle at Harper's theatre, the preliminaries of which have created so much interest and no small degree of excitement. It was very early in the afternoon—or rather 6:35 in the evening—when the result of the raffle could be declared. When the blindfolded boy who in nearly two hours had drawn eight hundred tickets—the tickets corresponding to the numbers held—from one hat, and the blanks from the other, held up in the presence of the judges, Messrs. F. W. Welch, of Rock Island, Geo. Darling, of Moline, and Orrin Andrews, of Moline, the tickets which decided the future ownership of the fine stallion. One of these tickets had the word "horse" upon it, while the card drawn simultaneously contained the number "2,163." "Who holds 2,163?" was the thought uppermost in all minds and there was an immediate hasty inspection of tickets, characterized by the marked eagerness on the part of those who held fifty or more tickets. Manager McHugh glanced rapidly through his reference book. He was but a moment in ascertaining the name of the fortunate one. Opposite 2,163, the name of Ed Lieberknecht stood out in bold relief. A hush fell over the audience, which but a moment before had been one of wildest excitement and confusion. Then all said: "That's just like Ed," and departed, sadder but wiser men than when they entered. Ed took his good fortune calmly and without outward display of surprise or delight. He has become accustomed to such streaks of luck. He set 'em up to the boys and took his horse. He has had him insured and will keep him for his own use for the present.

This latest evidence of Ed's possession of the key to all good fortune in games of chance bars him from future participation in institutions of this kind. This assertion has been made in deference to a generally expressed opinion, the simple reason that others would like a chance now. It is understood Jim Dixon has posted up a notice over the counter where tickets are being sold for the sale of clothes he is raffling off, that "no Lieberknechts need apply." Yet Dixon is somewhat of a mascot himself, as Tom Cole will testify.

Lieberknecht has already received propositions from Anson, of the Chicago ball club, to act as mascot for his nine this year, while President Cleveland and President-elect Harrison have both petitioned him to conduct their respective campaigns four years hence. Added to this, lucky Ed has been besieged by a number of hastily formed syndicates to purchase a block of stock in the Louisiana State Lottery at the next drawing, but he has steadily declined all offers so far.

Prior to the commencement of the drawing there were a number of sparring matches between Chandler, the professional pugilist, and a number of local artists, all of which were interesting and not very one-sided either. Considerable time was consumed in auctioneering off the unsold tickets, and when the last came up it brought forth a remarkable display of superstition, it being knocked down finally at \$2.75, and then it did not take the horse.

The New Year's Advent. It was certainly no fault of the weather if yesterday was not a happy New Year's day. It might have been a trifle unreasonable for this climate, but it was most delightful and exhilarating to the common run of humanity. The temperature was so mild, and the air so actually balmy that it would not have been a New Year's day had not the calendar said so. The man on market square who lit his pipe by means of the sun and a glass thought it was summer weather instead of winter.

In Rock Island it was not, as a rule, observed in the good old fashioned way. There were only a few open houses, yet there were many informal calls at other places, and many who were at home to their friends.

People generally observed the day quietly, though there were a large number who attended the theatre, the Y. M. C. A. exercises and the rink.

Reunions.

Mrs. Senn, of South Rock Island, was thrown from her dairy wagon on Fourth avenue this afternoon, but was not seriously injured. The wagon was pretty well demolished.

Mr. Fred Weyerhauser's carriage team ran away in the lower end of town this afternoon and damaged the vehicle considerably, but Mr. Weyerhauser, who was an occupant, was not injured.

Entertainment and Dance. Noble Lodge, No. 1. A. O. U. W., of Rock Island, will give an entertainment and dance at Armory hall on the evening of January 7. Admission 50 cents. Supper extra. Reception and entertainment commences at 7:45. A general invitation is extended. Ruge's string band will furnish music for the occasion.

Taxes Sew Dues.

W. J. Gahagan, collector of the city of Gahagan, of Rock Island, has opened an office in the county treasurer's office, court house, and is ready to receive the taxes of 1888, now due.

BRIEFLETS.

Write it "1889." Read McIntire Bros. adv. Diaries for '89 at Crampton's.

Great clock sale at McIntire Bros. Get your blank books of Crampton.

Supervisor H. O. Norton, of Hampton, was in the city today.

Ambrose Swiler, of Angus, Iowa, is in the city visiting old friends.

S. W. Woodburn and son, of Hillsdale, were in the city today.

All short wraps reduced about one half to close at McCabe Bros.

Kid gloves, kid gloves, kid gloves by the thousand pairs at McCabe Bros.

4 or 5 per cent off price on all cloaks at McCabe Bros. Plush cloaks excepted. Go to the assignee's sale of Robinson & Taliaferro for furnishing goods at cost.

The Elm social club has its postponed dance at Armory hall tomorrow evening.

McCabe Bros. are selling men's scarlet wool shirts and drawers at 25c each.

The midwinter holidays are over. Now for Decoration day and the Fourth of July.

That child's scarlet wool underwear at 9, 14, 19 and 24 cents at McCabe Bros. cannot last long.

The mail carriers donned their regulation caps this morning, by order of Postmaster Huebing.

During the month of December Magistrate Bennett collected \$59.15; fines, \$49.35; fees, \$9.80.

McCabe Bros. are indulging in some of the severest cuts in cloaks and wraps ever witnessed in this section.

25 per cent discount—1 off deducted from price of all cloaks, plush sacques excepted, at McCabe Bros.

Quite a lively stir has been created in the cloak department of McCabe Bros. by recent cuts and quotations.

The sale of \$1 wraps at McCabe Bros. has had something of the effect of an earthquake among other dealers.

Those \$8, \$9, and \$10, fancy newmarkets all reduced to \$5.75, at McCabe Bros. are calling in the keenest buyers.

Well, how do you like the New Year, so much of it as you have seen? Looks rather peevish at the outset, doesn't it?

Circuit Clerk McArthur, of Mercer county, was in the city today on his way to Chicago, accompanied by his wife.

Elegant assortment 4-button suede kid gloves with new stylish embroidered backs at 75 cents per pair at McCabe Bros.

Lost—A few papers, lists and receipts have been lost. The finder will receive liberal reward by returning same to this office.

Mr. Benj. Whitsett, of Preemption, was in the city today, greeting his friends with his customary warmhearted grasp.

Everything at cost—the time to supply your wants immediate and prospective, at the assignee sale of Robinson & Taliaferro.

Mr. J. T. Miller, who has been ill for some time, had a relapse last night and his condition is now regarded as extremely critical.

A large line 500 dozen kid gloves all styles, colors and prices are placed on sale at most attractive prices this week at McCabe Bros.

Will E. Stengel has accepted a position as traveling representative of the R. S. King Publishing company, of Chicago, and will enter upon his duties in a few days.

There died at St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 29, 1888, Thomas Strimmel, formerly a resident of Rock Island and for many years in the employ of the Rock Island Plow company.

Deputy Collector Huckstadt's internal revenue stamp collections for December were \$4,182.30, of which \$19.60 was from tobacco; \$1,009.95 cigars; and \$3,154.25 beer.

President Skinner, of the Rock Island County Pioneer association, was in the city today and announces the annual meeting of the society to be held at the Rock Island house on Monday, February 4.

The final will of the late Mr. W. C. Welch, was filed for probate Monday. The deceased bequeaths his entire estate to his wife, Mrs. Mary J. Welch, who is named in the will as sole executrix with out bond.

It is understood that he had willed his property to his housekeeper, but that he changed his mind a short time since and that this was one of the causes of her suicide.

Old Settlers' Annual. Rock Island, Jan. 2, 1889.

The annual meeting of the Old Settlers' association of Rock Island county will be held at the parlors of the Rock Island house in Rock Island, on Monday, Feb. 4, 1889, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers of the association, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

ONY SMITH, Sec. J. T. KENWORTHY, Sec.

E. F. F. Notice. Work in the second degree at their Castle hall this evening; also installation of officers. By order of S. R. WRIGHT, C. C. E. H. BOWMAN, K. R. and S.

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Grand Lyric and Spectacular Production of

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A Great Play! A Great Company! A new Scenery by Lafayette W. Seavey.

The Heart's Breakdown.

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Job's Vision.

A Wonder of Dissolving Beauty.

Among the many features.

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The Human Mocker; The Man with 100 Voices; The Famous North British Pan Pipe Singers.

PRICES—25, 50, and 75 cents. Sale of seats begins January 1st.

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In order to clean up their cloak department quickly make a big wide and deep cut for this week.

25 PER CENT

or one-fourth will be deducted from the price of all cloaks, PLUSH SACQUES EXCEPTED. Newmarkets Plush Jackets, Plush Modjeskas, Short Wraps, misses' and children's garments all go at one-fourth off.

Newmarkets	were	\$18.50	now	\$13.88
Newmarkets	"	13.75	now	9.87
Newmarkets	"	8.00	now	6.00
Newmarkets	"	4.00	now	3.00
Newmarkets	"	8.00	now	2.25
Plush Jackets	"	17.50	now	13.13
Plush Jackets	"	19.95	now	14.46
Plush Modjeskas	"	24.00	now	18.00
Plush Modjeskas	"	20.00	now	15.00
Children's Cloaks	"	6.00	now	4.00
Children's Cloaks	"	5.00	now	3.00
Children's Cloaks	"	3.00	now	2.25
Children's Cloaks	"	2.50	now	1.88

And so on through the line. An early call will secure best bargains. The winter is all before us and this is a good opportunity to purchase cloaks at below zero prices. Close evenings at 6 p. m.